(c) whether there is sufficient outlet for the water that floods the Puncha lands during the rainy season ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No.

No answer is necessary in view of the answer to sub-division (a)

The matter will be investigated during the next south-west monsoon and remedial measures devised, if necessary.

Report regarding Technological Institute.

135. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

1. whether they have received the report from the Ernakulam College Extension Committee of 1930 on the question of opening a Technological Institute ?

2. if the answer is in the affirmative, whether they will be pleased to place a copy of it on the table ;

3. if the answer is in the negative, whether they have taken any, and if so, when what steps to get the report from the Committee?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—1. Yes.

2. Copy appended (*Appendix V I*).

3. No reply is required in view of the answers to questions 1 and 2.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know the date on which the report was received from the Committee ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I can give the date on which it was despatched. It is the 26th of July 1931.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Is the portion printed here as appendix V I the complete report or only a part ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—That is the only and complete report.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know whether it is unanimous?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—It was unanimous.

Appointment—Tahsildars.

136. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) whether the Government order, dated 20th May 1931, Dis. No. 130/R/06, to the effect that "in future no persons will be eligible for appointment as Tahsildar unless he has served for 3 years as Revenue Inspector" is still in force or cancelled ;

(2) if cancelled, the date of its cancellation and the reasons that led to it ;

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(3) when was Mr. M. A. Vareed appointed as Tahsildar of Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk;

(4) whether he has served as Revenue Inspector at any time and if so, when and for what period;

(5) whether he has passed the Survey test;

(6) what, if any, are the special qualifications of Mr. M. A. Vareed to be appointed to that post;

(7) whether in making this appointment the Government has overlooked the claims of others in service who possess similar qualifications and have put in more service;

(8) if the answer to sub-section 7 is in the affirmative, the names and number of such persons ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(1) & (2) The order has not been cancelled. But it can be given effect to only after the scheme sanctioned in the Diwan's Proceedings works for a sufficiently long time and after a sufficient number of officers otherwise qualified for Tahsildarship has worked as Revenue Inspectors for 3 years. In the meanwhile, a transitory arrangement has been ordered. The Member is referred to the answer to question No. 51 (a).

(3) On 11th Karkadagam 1106.

(4) No.

(5) No; but he will be given a course of training in Survey soon.

(6) He has passed the Revenue and Account Tests and is young and physically fit for executive work.

(7) No.

(8) The question does not arise.

Road from Chenam to Cherpu.

137. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received a petition from the inhabitants of the Chenam Desom in Karlam Village for connecting that desom with Cherpu by a road and if so what action, if any, have they taken upon it ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes. The matter is being investigated.

General Hospital—Store-room.

138. Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that the medicines in the store of the General Hospital, Ernakulam, are heaped together on the open verandah of the store-room;

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